

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: T. Aizawa et al. Attorney Docket No.: NAI1125844  
Application No.: 10/543141 Art Unit: 1792 / Confirmation No.: 4288  
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Title: ALUMINUM MATERIAL HAVING A1N REGION ON THE SURFACE  
THEREOF AND METHOD FOR PRODUCTION THEREOF

AMENDMENT AFTER NON-FINAL REJECTION

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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